

## COL. BIRD IS DEAD

One of Wichita's Foremost Citizens Passes Away.

WAS PROMINENT LAWYER

At One Time a Challenger of Judge Reed.

Nicholas Bird died yesterday morning at 8:40, after a long illness. The complaint was one of the liver and ulceration of the stomach. The funeral will occur on Friday morning at 10 o'clock, from the First Methodist church.

Two years ago Mr. Bird was stricken with pneumonia, and never fully recovered from its harmful effects. No man was ever a more patient sufferer. There was a strong vein of unselishness in the man's nature, a kindness for his fellow man, an eagerness to act perfectly fair with all, and a fear of doing anyone wrong. He was quick, too, to resent a slight, and quick to forgive, absolutely without fear, and on many an occasion ready to throw himself into the breach and hold a situation until someone came to the rescue.

He was known throughout the country as Colonel Bird. He was not a colonel, and never had been, but the title was popularly adopted as an evidence of kindness and admiration from the community. He was full of enthusiasm; full of youthful energy up to two years ago. He always had an opinion on all public questions and formulated his arguments readily and could speak them fluently.

He was born in Danmawar, Ireland, a small place about twenty miles from Cork, sixty-four years ago last December 16. When he was 9 years old his parents moved to America, locating in Cincinnati. In that city, then rapidly growing, Nicholas Bird grew up, working early and late for his condition was not prosperous. But he rose from meager circumstances to one of the prominent attorneys of the city.

His new Cincinnati by heart, every street and alley, the public men, the ward heelers, the newspaper reporters and the city's society. About once a year he would return to Cincinnati on a visit and the Cincinnati papers always gave him a welcome and printed his home interviews on Wichita in full.

By hard work and by self-education Mr. Bird soon rose to great prominence in Cincinnati law circles. For years he was associated with Judge Fox of the Cincinnati bar, and one of the most brilliant attorneys in Ohio. He was also acquainted with all the big men of the Buckeye state and had a national reputation with the statesmen of the country in addition. He had a correspondence once with Horace Greeley, in whose office he once worked. One of Greeley's letters to him, an illegible scrawl, he presented to the editor of the Eagle as a memento. He was acquainted with Alice and Phoebe Carey, the postresses.

Eleven years ago he moved to Wichita. His enthusiastic nature was in perfect accord with the excitement of the boom. He had unbounded faith in the city, and was so certain that it would grow to an immense population that he constructed a business block on North Emporia for a half mile above Douglas avenue. He made other investments. His love for his adopted town was as fervent as his love for his native land. In the old days, if a public meeting was held Colonel Bird was there. If contributions had to be made, he was always a giver. In works of charity, in kindness and thoughtfulness of sufferers anywhere, his heart was always active.

Governor Stanley, when told of his death last night, said that when he was a child, a year and a half ago, the first caller at his home to express sympathy was Nicholas Bird.

As has been said, Colonel Bird would represent a slight, and had a high sense of personal honor. Over some small dispute he once challenged Judge Christopher Reed to a duel. Judge Reed refused to reply to the challenge. Afterward Colonel Bird laughed about his show of temper himself.

He had unbounded courage, when he believed he was right. It is part of the unwritten history of the town that when the mass meeting was called in Wichita to protest against Morrell's removal of the Jones-Grant-Hulseby band of police commissioners, that while everybody intended to be present, no one could be readily persuaded. George Douglas had taken a stand that any man who emboldened Morrell's purpose was against the "enforcement of law," and the local lights, while against Morrell, were not willing to preside at the meeting and court possible political death. At the last moment Colonel Bird, seeing that no one would jump into the breach, himself agreed to preside. The meeting had been mismanaged, no program had been arranged, and Colonel Bird saw that he must keep on talking until he had warmed the audience up until it would produce speakers who would follow him. He began to talk. He talked about everything. The audience grew tired. Colonel Bird knew they were tired, but he was afraid that if he stopped talking no one would arise to succeed him, so he kept on talking and talking. Few men would have offered themselves up as a sacrifice in this way, for he was moulting a reputation for toughness which he had so well deserved. He finally was interrupted by someone in the audience to ask a question, and he called the man to the platform and told him to go ahead, and sat down after profound applause.

There are fifty incidents of this kind in the life of Colonel Bird in his short residence here.

He was an Odd Fellow. There survive

## DON'T NEGLECT

A COMMON CASE OF PILES.

It May Lead to Serious Results.

When people generally understand that aitch, fital diseases as aitch, fital of the rectum, fital, etc., almost invariably begin in a simple case of Piles, they will learn the wisdom of taking prompt treatment for the first appearance of trouble in this quarter. The Pyramid Pile Cure will certainly cure every form of piles, itching, bleeding, protruding or blood piles, and hundreds of lives have been saved by using this cheap but effective remedy right at the start, because at such a time a single package will effect a cure, while in the old chronic, deep seated cases, several packages are sometimes necessary before a lasting cure is effected.

Physicians are using the Pyramid Pile Cure in preference to surgical operations and with uniform success. The remedy is prepared by the Pyramid Drug Co. of Marshall, Mich., and for sale by druggists everywhere at 10 cents and 25 cent packages. Send for free book on cause and cure of piles.

## MANY PEOPLE CANNOT DRINK

coffee at night. It spoils their sleep. You can drink Grain-O when you please and sleep like a top. For Grain-O does not stimulate; it nourishes, cheers and feeds. Yet it looks and tastes like the best coffee. For nervous persons, young people and children Grain-O is the perfect drink. Made from pure grains. Get a package from your grocer today. Try it in place of coffee. 15 and 25c.

him Mrs. Bird, Mrs. Keach, Theodore and Richard Bird. In their bereavement the sympathy of the community is with them. For Colonel Bird was so closely allied with the city's life that his loss is an individual loss to almost every citizen in town.

Colonel Bird believed in a God and immortality, conclusions reached after years of independent reading and thought, for he was an eager devotee of books. He made during his life frequent trips to Europe. One of the incidents preceding his death is a beautiful one, a sign to friends that he departed from them with a calm mind, pleased with tender visions. He saw in a vision, he said, a beautiful garden with a flower-decked, vine-clad wall, a very beautiful spot indeed.

He was a man superlatively good; good in action, thought, deed and intention. His reward is unquestioned, because he so rightly merited it. He was a man of spirit, so keenly alive, cannot have been canceled, but must surely dwell today in the garden of perennial roses and everlasting life.

**Nichols' Aranea Salve.**  
The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It cures every ailment of the skin. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by G. Gehring.

## RECITAL GIVEN LAST NIGHT

At Wichita School of Music and Art.

Last night the pupils of the Wichita branch of the Kansas School of Musical and Dramatic Art gave a piano recital to an interested audience at the rooms of the school, in the Sedgewick block. The program was replete with good things. A feature of the evening was the piano solo by little Miss Cooper Gillespie, who rendered the "Scherzo E Minor" and the "Little Wanderer," by Chopin, in a manner that would do credit to a more finished pupil. She has taken only twenty-six half-hour lessons and her success is the result of a faithful attendance at all lessons and a conscientious system of practice.

The solos were all rendered from memory and were exceptionally pleasing, both as to selection and execution.

The recitation by Miss Mollie Warren was also greatly appreciated. Such splendid work on the part of the pupils reflected great credit upon Mrs. D. Hayes, to whose efforts the entertainment was due. The following program was rendered:

"Dance Macabre" (two pianos), Saint-Saens  
Miss Gertrude Frohman, Mrs. Fred L. Johnson  
Recitation, "Thoreau," by Hjalmar Boyesen  
Miss Mollie Warren  
"Andante and Rondo," by Kuhlau  
Ethelyn Bowman  
Duet, "Waltz op. 67," Schubert  
Miss May Thompson, Miss Geneva Handson  
"Scherzo, E Minor," "Little Wanderer," by Chopin  
Cooper Gillespie  
"Mazurka op. 6, No. 1," by Chopin  
Miss May Thompson  
"Voluntarie Militaire," by Chopin  
Miss Moseley Daisey  
"Improvisation op. 12, No. 7," Schubert  
Miss Nilsson Berry  
"Tremolo," by Gottschalk  
Miss Moseley Daisey  
"Ritornel von Albin" (two pianos)  
Mrs. Fred L. Johnson, Mrs. Hayes

**Take Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup** for all those dangerous affections—severe colds, pleurisy and grippe—which fall and winter bring along. It is the greatest cure for bronchitis and all throat and lung affections.

## CITY IN BRIEF

J. W. Gleed of Topeka is in the city on law business.  
H. Hitchcock of Zyba was here on business yesterday.  
C. H. Leding is in Kansas City for the next two weeks.

W. E. Curtis has been appointed court bailiff at the court house.

H. R. Owens plead guilty yesterday and was sentenced to the reformatory. He is 23 years old.

J. M. Bentley is quite sick at the home of Mr. Briggs, his father-in-law, on South Emporia avenue.

Rolf C. Wright and Hela S. Mathers of Melbourne sent a license and were married by Dr. W. B. Shutz.

Miss Lizzie Dickinson, principal of the Washington school, has been confined to her home with influenza.

James Long, alias Frank Howard, was convicted of an assault upon Policeman Washburn. He was fined \$10 and costs.

Peter Weber and Dora Laggart were at the probate court and took out a marriage license and were married. They are from St. Mark.

Tom Emerson, charged with stealing horses, was released from jail yesterday. The complaining witness, Hall, failed to make his complaint.

The flower girl racket, of pinning bouquets on men, on the street or elsewhere, when asking pay for it, is being worked in Wichita. This is metropolitan.

Justice Knoch set aside the verdict in the case of L. D. Fisher vs. E. P. Robins and granted a new trial. The new trial will be had on the 25th of January.

Mr. Frank Stock, who has been for a week or more confined to his hotel with malignant grip, is recovering slowly and his friends in the city wish for him complete recovery soon.

John R. Charlesworth left last night for Dallas, Tex. His family remain here. As soon as Mr. Charlesworth can wind up his business in Dallas he will return to Wichita, which will be his future home.

Manager L. F. Duggan, of the local telephone exchange, has returned from his Christmas visit with his parents in the western part of the state and has since come out on a brief tour of inspection over the untold lines.

A North Main street man had been playing slot machines occasionally. He was out of his pay of business the other day and his next door neighbor put up this sign: "Come to play the slot machines; we'll be back soon."

The regular meeting of the Highland Cemetery Improvement association will be held today at 2:30 p. m. in the city hall. The office in the city hall. Arrangements are being made to secure water service for the cemetery by the time spring comes. A full attendance is desired and everyone who is interested in Highland cemetery is invited to be present.

## ADRIAN C. CUENODE

Born on the Banks of Lake Geneva, Switzerland.

DIED IN THIS CITY

Will be Buried from His Late Residence This Afternoon.

Mr. Adrian C. Cuenode, for several years living at 230 South Lawrence avenue, died yesterday morning at his home, at 2:15 o'clock, after an illness of about one week, caused by an attack of malignant grip.

Mr. Cuenode was born on the banks of Lake Geneva, Switzerland, on March 8, 1855, and came to America and to Kansas in 1875, bringing with him considerable funds. He was an early resident of Clearwater, in Sumner county; later in Wichita, and afterward drifting into the mountain region about Leadville and Alpine, Colorado, at which latter place he was for some time proprietor of a hotel. After the mild fever of mining excitement subsided he gave up this occupation and at once removed to Wichita, where he had lived ever since up to his death yesterday. For several years he has been one of the trusted employees of the C. E. Potts Drug company, and though never seeking a wide acquaintance, was universally admired and respected by all those who knew him best.

He became a member of the Presbyterian and Reformed church in Switzerland in his boyhood and had been always a steadfast and staunch adherent of this faith up to his last days. All his associates and neighbors, both in this city, in Sumner county, and in Colorado, learned early to respect him as one of the most strict and conscientious integrity, and many of his most intimate friends share with his widow and three children the sadness of the loss of a loved one.

The funeral will be held from his late residence, 230 South Lawrence avenue, this afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, the services under the immediate charge of Rev. Bruce Griffith, pastor of the Reformed church.

Mr. Cuenode leaves a widow and three children, Miss Germaine, recently returned from Paris, where she was studying; Marcel and Marguerite, aged 17, 15 and 14 years.

## CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Dr. H. H. Hatcher.

## COMING LOCAL EVENTS

Astraea will meet with Miss Andrews, 431 South Lawrence avenue, Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The regular meeting of the Ancient Order of the Pyramids will be held this (Thursday) evening at corner Douglas and Topeka avenues.

The First M. E. church Sunday school and Epworth League tender a reception to Hon. W. E. Stanley and wife Friday evening, January 6. All members of the same take notice.

The Odd Fellows of the city are requested to meet at the hall on No. 33 on Friday morning, January 6, at 9 sharp, to attend the funeral of Brother Nicholas Bird—F. F. Parsons, secretary Union relief committee.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

(Furnished by the Wichita Abstract and Land Company, H. M. DuBois, Abstractor, Court House, Phone 262.)

**WARRANTY DEEDS.**  
L. B. Grafton to M. A. Grafton, lots 1 and 2, Andrews' survey; lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Elizabeth C. Henderson to Henry F. Fisher, lot 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Headish Davis to Charles W. Wolz, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

James C. Young to Cora Vance Mead, lot 29, Market st. city, and all interest in building on lot 31.

W. H. Walke to S. R. Anderson, lots 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Philando Armstrong to L. M. Clark, lots 12 and 14, Topeka ave, English's fifth add.

Lydia F. and H. C. Boyle to Henry L. Grey, nw 1/4 sec 31, twp 25, 1e, ex 100; and ex 63-100 acres in nw 1/4 sec 31.

Henry L. Grey to L. F. Fisher, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Quit Claim Deeds.  
State National bank to Cora Vance Mead, lot 29, Market st. city.

Stanley B. Hadlock et al. to Cora Vance Mead, lot 29, Market st. city.

Oscar Z. Smith to Cora Vance Mead, partition wall on lots 27 and 28, Market st. city.

P. S. Darlington to Fidelity Land Co., 3612, com nw 1/4 sec 31, 25, block 2, Perry's add.

J. V. Daugherty to J. A. Davison, lot 8, Chicago ave, West Wichita.

A. T. Heller, assignee, Victor Murdoch, lot 35 Cleveland ave, Mathewson's fourth add.

Mortgage releases.  
Etc. etc. etc.

LIABILITIES.  
Capital stock paid in, \$20,000.00  
Undivided profits, \$1,841.40  
Interest, .00  
Exchange, .00  
Dividend declared but not paid, .00  
Individual deposits, \$1,636.75  
Demand certificates, .00  
Time certificates, \$1,231.10  
Six per cent time, \$1,231.10  
Bills discounted, .00  
Accrued interest on bills, .00  
Incumbrance on real estate, .00  
Cashier's and certified checks, .00  
Uncollected rent, .00  
Other liabilities not enumerated, .00  
Overdrafts on other banks, .00  
Total, \$23,679.25

State of Kansas, County of Sedgewick, ss. F. B. Garrison, cashier of said bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true; that said bank has no liabilities, and is not indebted on any note or obligation, other than shown on the above statement, to the best of my knowledge and belief. So help me, God.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 2d day of January, 1899.  
GEO. A. TAYLOR, Notary Public.  
Commission expires on the 15th day of February, 1900.  
Correct—Attest: GEO. A. TAYLOR, Notary Public.  
S. B. AMIDON, Dictator.  
To John W. Brechtel, Bank Commissioner, Topeka, Kansas.

very successful New York success, at the Crawford Grand next week, of Mr. William Morris, a powerful cast in Edward Rose's dramatization of "Under the Red Robe." Mr. Rose also adapted the "Prisoner of Zenda," but it is claimed, and justly so, that the former drama is his best work. William Morris, who is to appear as Gil de Boreault in "Under the Red Robe," is a romantic actor of the robust school and the company in support is one of the largest and positively the best that was ever sent out of New York. The drama was originally produced by Manager Charles Frohman at the Empire theater, New York, and it is to be presented here with all the original scenery and effects employed during that famous run. Mr. Julius Cahn, the manager, has spared no expense in bringing this attraction to the very high standard attained by all organizations that are sent out of the Empire theater, New York.

## THE PULSE OF GREATER NEW YORK

Mirth and melody will reign supreme at the Crawford Grand on Saturday night, January 7, when "The Pulse of Greater New York" will be presented. The leading comedy role is entrusted to William A. Long, late principal comedian with "Hanson Brothers' Superba," ably assisted by the well-known and popular prima donna soprano, Miss Fannie Granger. Mr. Long and Miss Granger will appear in their clever and unique specialties. The play abounds in funny situations, funny sayings, clever specialties, and the latest songs of the day. The famous Mirror quartet will appear in latest comic, sentimental and patriotic selections.

## UNDER THE NEW REGIME

Cubans Well Pleased and Commercially Satisfied.

New York, Jan. 4.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Havana says: American control in Cuba works smoothly. Generals Brooke and Ludlow are beginning the reorganization of the civil administration satisfactorily. The Cubans are well pleased. The Spaniards are silent, but the commercial classes are satisfied with the new regime. The understanding is that no members of the former autonomist cabinet are to be included in General Brooke's proposed council of advisors. They are all unpopular and lack the confidence of both elements.

Civil Governor De Castro, by order of the military authorities, has abolished the use of passports and of stamped paper in the government offices. These were annoyances. Prompt steps have been taken for improving the section of hygiene. The chief interest on Monday centered at the custom house. Colonel Bliss was assisted by the treasury expert, Mr. De la Cruz, who was in charge at Santiago. The merchants had prepared for the change. Since noon on Sunday fifteen vessels had entered the harbor with cargoes, for discharge under the American tariff rates.

The first vessel was the Norwegian schooner Kitty, from Mobile, with general merchandise. A Spanish ship, the Mexico of Havana, arrived in ballast. Among Monday's arrivals was the Segura, from New York, with merchandise. American shippers seem to have improved their opportunities. Some confusion resulted as no tariff rates had been translated into Spanish. That deficiency will soon be corrected. The importers had secured American money with which to pay duties.

The postoffice service for the city and foreign mails shows improvement. The confusion still is due to the inefficient employees. The demoralization in the island service cannot be remedied immediately. Chief Director Rathbun's first order affecting the postoffice was to abolish the franking privilege, which has been grossly abused. A mistake made in Washington in printing 25 cent stamps for American correspondence has been remedied by selling the stamps for 2 cents.

The police service is being slowly organized. No general disorder exists. Two or three homicides during the last two days have been of the ordinary kind and have had no significance. Cubans and Spaniards are getting along pretty well together. Some fears of social demoralization, of which Americans complain, will be corrected when the police organization is more advanced. The military authorities do not want to use troops for duty of this kind.

**Forty-Million-Dollar Paper Trust.**  
Appleton, Wis., Jan. 4.—Advice from Hocking, Mass., are to the effect that the proposed writing paper combination was effected last Friday, but that the manufacturers interested refuse to affirm or deny the rumor. The capitalization is said to be \$40,000,000 and the trust organized on the same plan as the international company.

**Chante to Succeed Hay.**  
Washington, Jan. 4.—The announcement was made today on the highest authority that Hon. Joseph Chamberlain of New York would be nominated ambassador to Great Britain. The nomination will not be sent to the senate for a few days, but those near the president say this delay does not indicate any possibility of a change in his plans.

**OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE STATE BANK OF MINNESOTA.**  
At St. Paul, Minn., this 31st day of December, 1898.

Loans and discounts, \$2,990.00  
Cash and cash items, 1,472.00  
Overdrafts, 1,472.00  
Real estate, 2,472.00  
Bills discounted, 2,472.00  
Furniture and fixtures, 800.00  
Expense account, .00  
State bonds, 2,472.00  
Other bonds and warrants, .00  
Cash items, other than reserve, 222.00  
Etc. resources, 222.00  
Total, \$4,336.00

LIABILITIES.  
Capital stock paid in, \$20,000.00  
Undivided profits, \$1,841.40  
Interest, .00  
Exchange, .00  
Dividend declared but not paid, .00  
Individual deposits, \$1,636.75  
Demand certificates, .00  
Time certificates, \$1,231.10  
Six per cent time, \$1,231.10  
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## TEDDY TAKES CHARGE

Treats of War Issues in His Inaugural.

FOR GREATER NEW YORK

He Will Have a Dose Fixed Up in Due Season.

Albany, N. Y., Jan. 4.—The state legislature convened today. In both the assembly and the senate the Republican caucus nominees were elected. Fred Dickson of Chautauque county was made speaker of the assembly, and Archie Baxter of Chemung was chosen clerk. In the senate T. F. Ellsworth of Niagara county and James S. Whipple of Cattaraugus county were elected temporary chairman and clerk, respectively. After a brief address by Lieutenant Governor Woodruff, the annual message of the governor, Theodore Roosevelt, was read.

Governor Roosevelt's message opens with a reference to the alacrity with which New York responded to the call for volunteers to engage in the war with Spain.

"We are Americans," the governor continues, "and the interests of all Americans are equally dear to the men of the Empire state. As we grow into a mighty nation which, whether it will or not, must inevitably play a great part for good or evil in the affairs of the world at large, the people of New York wish it understood that they look at all American questions of foreign policy from a national standpoint. The trustees of the state have taken much to be allowed to lapse into anarchy or to return under sway of tyranny. War is a grim thing at best, but the war through which we have passed has left us not merely memories of victories won on land and sea, but even a more blessed heritage, the knowledge that it was waged for the highest motives, for the good of others as well as for our own national honor. Above all, we are thankful that it brought home to all of us the fact that the country was indeed one when serious danger confronted it. The men from the east and the west, from the north and the south, the sons of those who were the blue and those who were the gray, stood shoulder to shoulder in the fight, met the same dangers, shared the same hardships and won the same ultimate triumph."

Governor Roosevelt recommends a continuance of the committee appointed under the preceding administration to examine into the cause of the decline in the commerce of New York City.

"It is essential to the state, no less than to the city of New York, that our commercial supremacy should be maintained. With this end in view the canal should be administered economically and with an eye single to the welfare of the whole people. Any man, whether public servant or contractor, who in any way detracts from the state or perverts the business of the state to his private gain must be dealt with as rigorously as the laws will permit."

Governor Roosevelt discusses the subject of state labor at considerable length. Under this head he says: "In dealing with the interests which have grown to group together as the interests of labor, we must always keep in mind the fact that ultimately each man's salvation rests mainly with himself and that no amount of legislation or of combination can supply the lack of individual initiative—the lack of individual energy and honesty, thrift and industry. Yet this capacity for self-help should be encouraged, generally, and supplemented by that form of self-help that follows on organization and association, as has been shown by the careers of many of the trades unions and labor federations; and sometimes it can be supplemented by the direct action of the state itself."

"This legislation is not necessarily against the interest of capital; on the contrary, if wisely devised, it is for the benefit of both labor and capital."

In discussing the national guard, Governor Roosevelt says, among other things: "It is much to be hoped that some well thought plan may be adopted by the national government for the use of the guard in any future war. The guard should be used as it was in the civil war, and should not be called out for foreign service. The work which the national guardsmen ought certainly to perform differs entirely from that expected from regulars."

"Many of the troops who volunteered gloriously for the emergency, now that the war is over, are most anxious to return to their homes. It is the duty of the state to see that there are not all of them able to return (due to the utterly inadequate size of our regular army). If our regular army is, as it should be, increased to 100,000 men, the hard necessity of retaining